BOOKS THAT TALK

Game, Mildred 1940

HV1733
G

M.C. MIGEL LIBRARY
AMERICAN PRINTING
HOUSE FOR THE BLIND

Books That Talk

V. 55 : No. 11

They Read Themselves to the Blind

By MILDRED GAME

"And I will bring the blind by a way that they knew not. . . I will make darkness light before them. . . . " Isaiah 42:16.

DO you know about the "Talking Books" developed by the American Foundation for the Blind? Your knowing what they are and how to procure them might make all the difference in the world to some neighbor or acquaintance who moves through permanent darkness.

Talking Books are albums of recorded disks played on talking machines. Each record plays for about 30 minutes, and an average book, such as *Madame Curie,* composed of 13 records, can be played in 8 hours.

Machines vary from a very inexpensive, portable, hand-wound model for approximately $20 to a console radio-phonograph combination with a 13-tube radio and a short wave set. All machines have speed and volume controls and are easily operated by touch. Earphones are supplied with each set.

No blind person who cannot afford the machine need do without his literature, however, for by means of a WPA project the Library of Congress is able to lend through various state agencies some 20,000 machines to needy blind readers.

Free of Charge

There is no expense connected with the Talking Books themselves. Friends of the blind in Washington secured legislation which now makes possible an annual appropriation of $175,000 to the Library of Congress, through which 27 regional libraries across the country lend the books to blind readers. The Library of Congress selects all titles to be produced at government expense, and the recording is done by the American Foundation for the Blind in New York City, and the American Printing House for the Blind in Louisville, Ky. Professional readers from stage and radio supply the voices, and contemporary authors often read the first record of their own books. Books are sent to the regional libraries and travel in stout cartons to and from the blind without fee and postage free. Special needles are included with each mailing.

Only one-fourth of the more than 130,000 totally blind persons in this country can finger-read books printed in the system of raised dots known as braille. Since so many of the blind have lost their sight late in life, the large majority are never able to become rapid braille readers, for it takes a long time and sensitive, nimble fingers to master braille. According to the United States census, 67 per cent of the blind are over 50 years of age; nearly 45 per cent are past 65; 35 per cent lost their sight before they were 20 years old. To three-fourths of these people, braille, desirable as it is, remains as mysterious as to you and me. But every one of the blind who can hear can read a Talking Book.

Types of Books

Since blindness is no respecter of age or condition, tastes among the sightless vary as widely as among any other cross section of Americans. Travel books, scientific discussions, detective stories, drama, poetry—all have their devotees. But the Bible remains the most popular book.

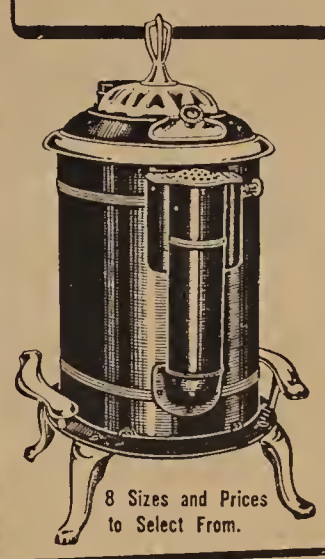
What would it not mean to a blind oldster to find comfort from a favorite Psalm when he needs it, without troubling anyone else? One can readily understand why the 52 recordings made from the Bible are more in demand than any others, and why readers frequently ask permission to buy and keep them.

The Talking Book has been serving some of the blind for five years. But not all of them—only one out of five. Right there is where *you* come in. Suppose you cut out this article and send it to some blind person or a relative. That will help. Or suppose you yourself talk it over with that blind person, then write to the American Foundation for the Blind, 15 West 16th Street, New York City, and ask them to send him a book list, inform him which regional library serves his district, and name the state agency which will lend him a machine if he is unable to procure one.

The Progressive Farmer, November, 1940

BURN WOOD AND SAVE UP TO 75% ON FUEL COSTS

THERE ARE NO OTHERS LIKE THE PATENTED ASHLEY



8 Sizes and Prices to Select From.

Patented Ashley Downdraft System Offers Slower Combustion . . . Slower Burning of Wood . . . More Heat . . . Saving Up to 75% on Fuel Cost—

Yes, the NEW ASHLEY AUTOMATIC HEATER burns cheap, abundant WOOD, and saves up to 75% on fuel costs . . . and it gives you outstanding stove performance, too. With an ASHLEY you need never be troubled with a frigid house one minute and an overheated one the next . . . the PATENTED Downdraft and Thermostat-Control gives you continuous controlled heat 24 hours a day.

No Fires to Build on Cold Mornings—No Ashes to Take Up Daily — Just imagine! No more shivering on cold mornings building fires . . . when you heat your home with the ASHLEY AUTOMATIC HE[illegible] Just fill the ASHLEY at night with wood [illegible] Automatic Thermostat sees to it that when y[illegible] in the morning there'll be plenty of fire and [illegible] fuel. And, wonder of wonders, there are n[illegible] take up daily!

The ASHLEY is attractively designed with h[illegible] construction throughout, made to give year[illegible] factory service. If you have wood on y[illegible] can readily see that with the ASHLE[illegible] your home at no fuel cost. In o[illegible] alone, there are more than 2,000 [illegible] in use, proof a plenty of its am[illegible] venience. For greater com[illegible] savings, be sure this yea[illegible] ASHLEY. "Just set i[illegible]

SEE YOUR ASHLEY DE[illegible] portfolio of letters f[illegible] Him prove that what [illegible] will do for you. There [illegible] ASHLEY line . . . one to suit a[illegible] ments, churches, schools and stores.

"IT'S DIFFERENT"

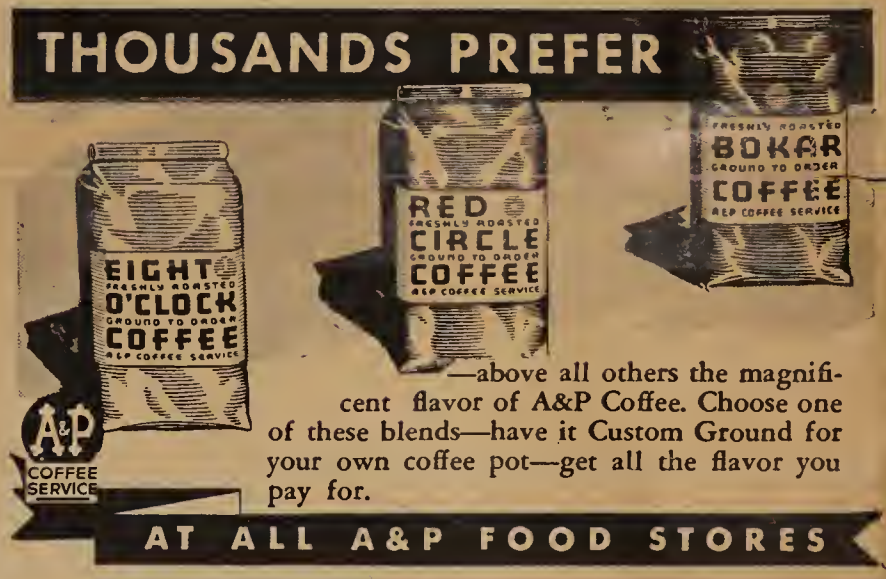
BE SURE THE NAME ASHLEY IS ON THE NAMEPLATE

THERMOSTAT CONTROL
ASHLEY
AUTOMATIC WOOD STOVE CO.
COLUMBIA, S. C.

MAIL TODAY

ASHLEY AUTOMATIC WOOD STOVE COMPANY
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA
Please send me more information about the amazing ASHLEY Automatic Heater
Name.....
Address.....

THOUSANDS PREFER



—above all others the magnificent flavor of A&P Coffee. Choose one of these blends—have it Custom Ground for your own coffee pot—get all the flavor you pay for.

AT ALL A&P FOOD STORES

ACHING-SORE STIFF MUSCLES

For PROMPT relief—rub on Musterole! Massage with this wonderful "COUNTER-IRRITANT" actually brings fresh warm blood to aching muscles to help break up painful local congestion. *Better than a mustard plaster!* Made in 3 strengths.

MUSTEROLE

Watch for the trademark on every article you buy.

OH BOY WHAT FIREWORKS!

YOU CAN EARN YOUR FIREWORKS BY SHOWING CATALOG TO YOUR FRIENDS.

GET DETAILS OF OUR PLAN

FREE CATALOG AND COUPON

Return coupon with FIREWORKS order and get big 35c Box of SALUTES FREE

SPENCER FIREWORKS CO.
175 Main Street, POLK, OHIO

GARDENER'S HANDBOOK

THE gardener who gets the most from his garden plot is the one who keeps it busy all the year round. And that takes planning as well as work. To help the gardener plan ahead so as to get the most for his time and work, Mr. Niven has revised and we have reprinted

MASSEY'S GARDEN BOOK
for Southern States

giving recommended varieties, planting instructions, disease and insect control measures. It is a "veritable compendium of knowledge" for the veteran or the inexperienced gardener. Send for your copy now. Price 25 cents in durable paper covers; 75 cents in cloth binding.

MASSEY'S GARDEN BOOK
The Progressive Farmer
Raleigh, N. C.

FLOODLIGHTS 100-FT. CIRCLE!

LANTERN You Can Read 50 Ft. Away!

AS LOW AS $3.95

Coleman twin-mantle entire barn or farm-work.

proof! . . . With-nd test with-

cleaning generator. Pyrex glass globe, exclusive. Burns 30 hours for a dime! 6 models—both kerosene and gasoline pressure—priced as low as $3.95. See your Coleman dealer.

As Low As $3.95
Brilliant Coleman Lamp with beautiful shade floodlights a room! Makes reading, sewing, easier. So like daylight you can match colors by it. Safety-sealed fuel. See your Coleman dealer now.

FREE! Mail penny postal for free illustrated folders describing amazing Coleman Lanterns and Lamps. Address nearest office, Dept. PF-113.

THE COLEMAN LAMP AND STOVE COMPANY
Wichita, Kans. Chicago, Ill. Philadelphia, Pa. Los Angeles, Calif. (0113)

Coleman LAMPS AND LANTERNS

WET BLANKET A COLD'S ATTACK

And as sure as you breathe you'll give head cold miseries the air

Just 2 drops Penetro Nose Drops will instantly start you on the "open nose" way out of cold-stuffed misery. Free breathing takes the kick out of head colds—helps cut down the time these colds hang on. Head off head colds' misery with **PENETRO NOSE DROPS**

CATARRH SINUS HEADACHES

DUE TO NASAL CONGESTION

Here's good news! Get Hall's "TWO-METHOD" Treatment at your druggists. Relief or money back! Send for FREE Health Chart and information about nasal congestion. F. J. Cheney & Co., Dept. 911, Toledo, O.

HALL'S NASAL TREATMENT

Amazing New Popular **PICTURE RING**

ANY PHOTO OR PICTURE reproduced, permanently on exquisite gem-like ring. Marvelous new process! A priceless keepsake! Guaranteed! Sample ring from any photo you send only . . . . . 48c. **SEND NO MONEY**—Everyone wants PICTURE RING. Show ring—take orders—make money! Just send photo with strip of paper trimmed so ends meet around finger for size. Pay postman only 48c, plus few cents postage. Photo returned with ring. Money back if not delighted. Order NOW! **PICTURE RING CO., Dept. Y-81, Cincinnati, Ohio.**

48¢
Photo Painted in Lifelike Colors—10c extra.

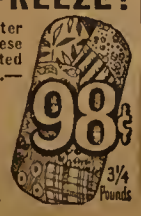
SLEEP WARM—WHY FREEZE?

FREE — 2 TEA TOWELS and beautiful Quilt Pattern with every order.

Make Quilts before Winter—Order a package of these bright, gorgeous, assorted quilt pieces (25 yds.—3¼ pounds).

Send No Money—Pay postman only 98c plus few cents postage. Satisfaction guaranteed or your money refunded. COLUMBIA CLOTH CO., 1737 Wabash, Kansas City, Mo.

Please send names & addresses of 3 friends who quilt.



98¢ 3¼ Pounds

Out of Miss Dixie's Sandbox

Give Yourself a Dairy Facial

MILK has been famous as a complexion beautifier all through the ages. Now modern beauties, like lovely Lana Turner of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures, find it the basis of a delightful facial that helps erase tired lines and keep the skin velvety soft and smooth. Make a raid on the dairy before your next party and try this facial. You'll feel almost as though you'd had an extra-special professional facial, and you'll look radiantly fresh and youthful. Try it, too, whenever you are so tired that your face shows strain; then the "strain" lines are not so likely to be engraved permanently on your face.

Photos Courtesy Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

1. Apply a soft, melty cleansing cream, leave on a few minutes, then remove with tissues. Or, if you prefer, wash your face with warm water and a mild, fine toilet soap, then rinse thoroughly. Dampen a large pad of cotton with ice cold astringent or skin tonic (witch hazel is good) and remove all traces of soiled cream. Then, with the pad pat all over your face and neck for several minutes.

2. Moisten a heaping teaspoonful of "tissue cream" or rich lubricating cold cream with enough milk or dairy cream to make a thick paste-like mixture. Smooth this over your skin, working it in thoroughly but always using an upward lifting motion and being careful not to stretch or pull the skin. Rough massage that stretches the skin detracts from its elasticity and may cause early wrinkles.

3. If all the cream mixture has been absorbed, pat on some more. Then dampen two large pads of cotton or gauze with milk or with your astringent, and lie down for a good rest period, taking a nap if you can. Much of the benefit of a professional facial comes from the relaxation you get in "letting go." If time is a factor in this home facial, you can rest while taking your warm bath.

4. After removing surplus cream, going all over your face and neck again with the astringent pads, and applying your make-up, drink a large glass of milk. Milk "applied inside" is as great a beautifier as you can use, because it gives you many food elements necessary to health, and without good health you cannot have a radiant, glowing complexion no matter what cosmetics you use.

A startling statement, perhaps from a beauty expert who preaches cosmetics and thoroughly believes in their power to beautify, but who knows they cannot take the place of nor conceal the lack of abundant health and vitality. Every piece of advice in these columns presupposes your possession of good health. Conversely, if you have radiant health, you cannot be truly "ugly," no matter how imperfect your features may be, for nobody will notice a turned-up nose, a too generous mouth, or any other little defects.

Remember then to take as your slogan; "There is no beauty without health," and when starting on a beauty routine, seek first to find what health habits you are neglecting that might cause this beauty defect—and having corrected this, then begin with your external application of beauty aids.

● **Next month you'll be wanting to know about Christmas beauty to give and to have and "Out of Miss Dixie's Bandbox" will pop plenty of ideas!**

BEAUTY HELPS

1. How to Give Yourself a Facial
2. Why Have Wrinkles
3. Different Creams and How to Use Them
4. Health, the Foundation of All Beauty
5. Giving and Using Perfumes

For any one or all five of the leaflets listed above, send 3 cents to Sally Carter, The Progressive Farmer, Raleigh, N. C.

Don't throw away your old shoes!

Your shoe repairer can rebuild them as solid and as sound as the day you bought them! Insist on genuine NON-SLIP

CAT'S PAW RUBBER HEELS & SOLES

DON'T ACCEPT SUBSTITUTES!

Housewives, please note!

In any good recipe you can use Rumford Baking Powder in the amount called for. No figuring out special quantities for special types of baking powder.

Send for FREE recipe book. Address: Rumford Baking Powder — Box 5F, Rumford, R. I.

FREE! OF EXTRA COST ACCORDING TO PLAN

GET FREE SAMPLES AT ONCE

Don't wait another minute. Earnings up to $5.00 a day or $45 a week possible. Be our Agents and make Quick money in Full or Spare time. Sell our famous line of Sweet Georgia Brown Hair Dressing, Face Powder, Bleach Cream, Incense, Curios, Jewelry, Perfumes. Two Big lines—50c and 25c goods. Sales made on sight. No experience needed. Write today for FREE SAMPLES and FREE Big Sample Case Offer.

VALMOR PRODUCTS COMPANY
2241 Indiana Ave., Dept. A-120, Chicago, Ill.

FREE ENLARGEMENT

Just to get acquainted with new customers, we will beautifully enlarge one snapshot print or negative, photo or picture to 8x10 inches—FREE—if you enclose this ad with 10c for handling and return mailing. Information on hand tinting in natural colors sent immediately. Your original returned with your free enlargement. Send it today.

Geppert Studios, Dept. 1237, Des Moines, Iowa

TYPEWRITER 1/3 PRICE

STANDARD OFFICE MODELS
1/3 MFRS. ORIG. PRICE
Easiest Terms as Low as **60¢ a Week**
All late models completely rebuilt like brand new. FULLY GUARANTEED.
No Money Down—10 Day Trial
Free price-smashing catalog shows all makes in colors. FREE COURSE IN TYPING INCLUDED. See catalog before you buy. SEND NOW.
INTERNATIONAL TYPEWRITER EXCH.
Dept. 1163, 231 W. Monroe St., Chicago, Ill.

10c A DAY

GIVEN AWAY!

Famous Stradford PEN, 14k gold plated point—Automatic PENCIL—6 Black, 3 Red, 3 Blue LEADS—**FOR** selling 4 boxes Rosebud Salve at 25c each. **Order 4 salve**. Post Card will do. Send-No-Money. (Old reliable Company—46th year)
ROSEBUD PERFUME CO, BOX 78, WOODSBORO, MARYLAND.

FEATHER BEDS 10-DAYS TRIAL

Bargains in new, sanitary feather beds, pillows, bulk feathers. Low prices — high quality. We pay shipping charges—give 10 days' trial—satisfaction or money back. Write for FREE price list and sample feathers.
American Feather & Pillow Co., Dept. 29, Nashville, Tenn.

Bro-Dart INDUSTRIES
Newark 1, N. J. • Los Angeles 25 Calif.
Toronto 2B Ontario Made in U. S. A.